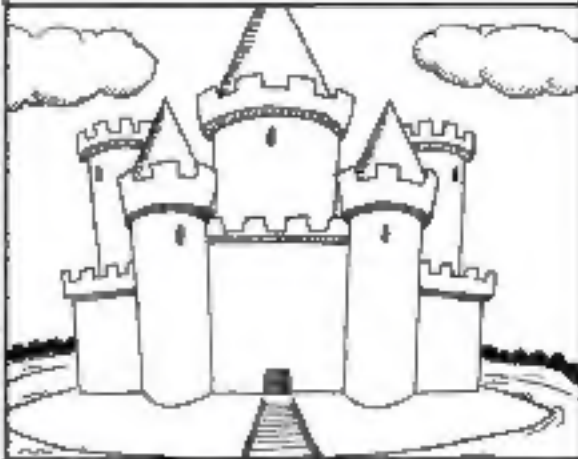




NO WAY IN?

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Once upon a time there
was a castle set upon a hill.



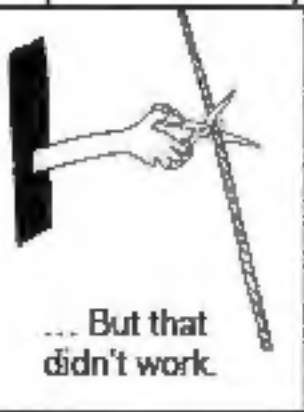
It had untold riches inside.

The village people wanted those riches.



But how will
we get in?

They tried to climb
up the wall...



... But that
didn't work.

They made great catapults...



Maybe they could fly
over the wall?

No, they could not.



There *had* to be a way in!

Some said they could meditate their way inside.



Their followers paid to hear about their "life in the great castle..."

But these fakers were really *outside* the whole time!

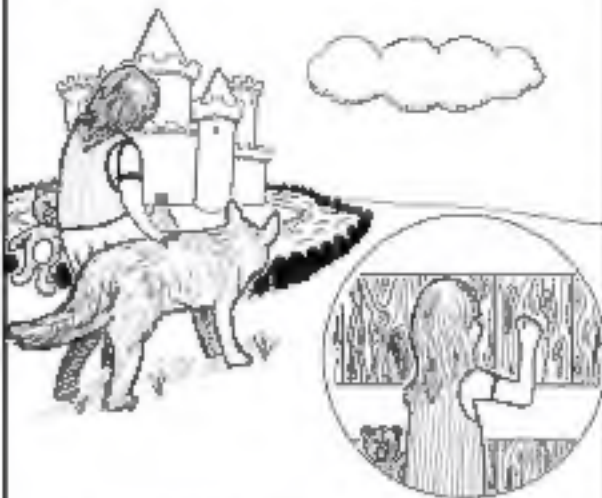


They would have *starved* if people had not fed them!

And so it was
that the great and the small,
the rich and the poor,
the wise and the foolish,
plotted and planned,
attacked that castle,
and beat at its walls—
But nothing worked.

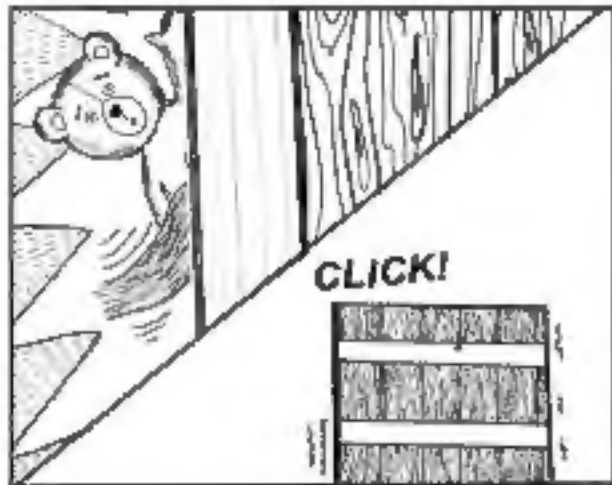
And then one day...

A little child walked up to the castle.



She saw a door. She knocked.

The door opened, and...



She went inside!

Almost no one noticed.



They were too busy plotting and planning and trying to force their way in.

And so they continued, year after year. They tried **everything**—they thought.

What are we shooting at?



Who cares? Fire!

All their plans fell short. But...

When girls or boys, men or women, discovered that they could not enter the castle by their own strength or wisdom, only *then* did they notice that door.



And when they knocked ... they were welcomed inside!

Some tried to tell others about the door.



The door was there the whole time.



All who admitted they could not get in on their own could knock at that door...

And go inside! It couldn't be easier.



But the people didn't want easy. They wanted in *their way*.

That door is still there. No one who is humble enough to knock at that door is ever denied entrance.



KNOCK
PLEASE

Sound familiar?

In the Bible Jesus said



I am the
door

by me if any man
enter in, he shall
be saved •

*John 10:9

What did Jesus mean by that?

We are all very selfish, just like the people in the story. We want to find our own way to happiness.



and into heaven, God's kingdom when we die. But

Our selfish ways won't work. God's way is the right way, because God is good.



But we are not. And when we disobey God, that's called sin.

Solomon, the wisest man in the world admitted

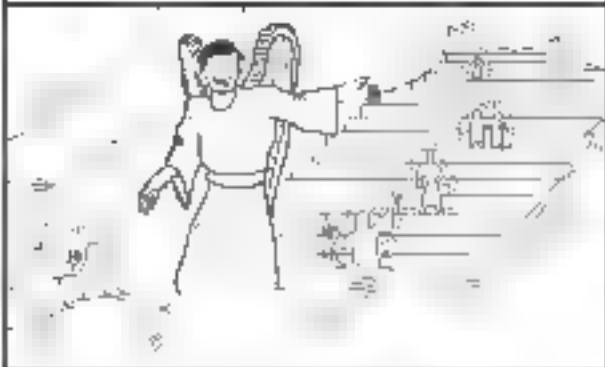
for there is
no man that
sinneth not *



*1 Kings 8:46

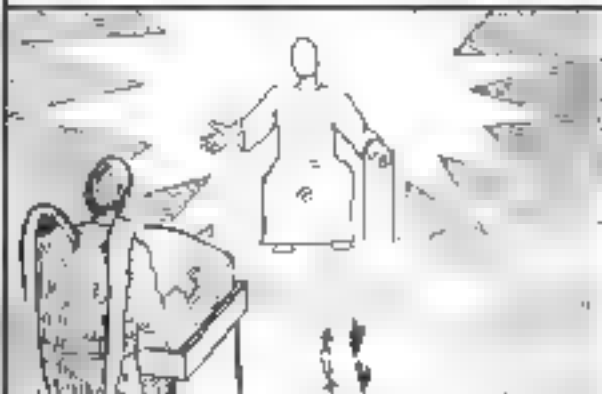
So all of us are bad. "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God," (Romans 3:23).

God wants only what is completely good to be with Him in His perfect heavens



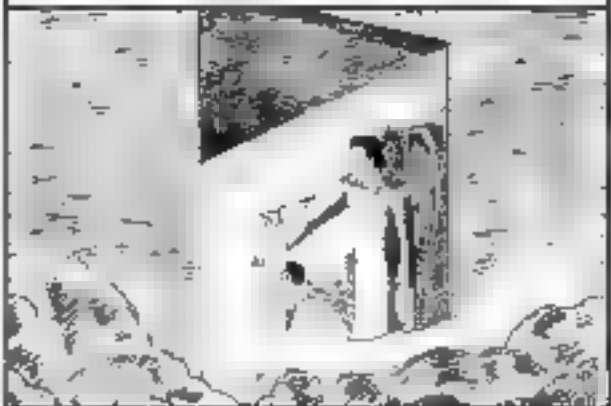
But we are sinners that want things our own way So who gets to go to heaven?

God has a **book of life** that says who can go to heaven to be with Him forever



If your name is written in it, you will be welcomed into heaven! But

If your name *isn't* there, then you have to pay the penalty for your sins



“ whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire ” (Revelation 20:15) ***But wait!***

What if Someone else could pay the penalty for our sins. instead of us?



But that person would have to be *perfect*

We all have our *own* sins to pay for. Only someone *with no sin* could pay for anybody else's sin.



Well, there is **Someone**

His name is **JESUS!** He is God's Son,
from heaven.



“Who, being in the form of God, thought
it not robbery to be equal with God.”
(Philippians 2:6)

“But made himself of no reputation,



and took upon him the form of a servant,
and was made in the likeness of men”
(Philippians 2:7)

"And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." Philippians 2:8



"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

**Jesus died for our sins, was buried in a tomb,
but then three days later**

Jesus rose from the dead!



**He conquered sin, hell,
and death itself!**

40 days later he returned into heaven.*



**“Wherefore God also hath highly exalted
him, and given him a name which is
above every name.” (Philippians 2:9)**

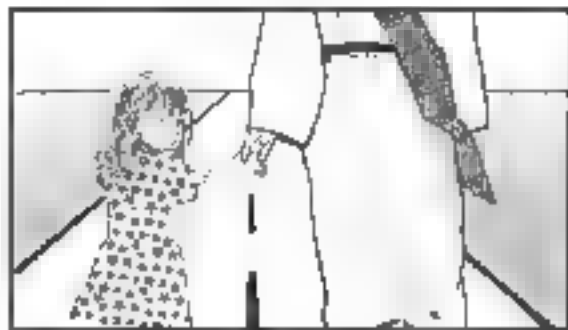
***Acts 1:2, 9; Mark 16:19; Luke 24:51**

“That at the name of Jesus every
knee should bow, of things in
heaven, and things in earth, and
things under the earth,



And that every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of
God the Father” (Philippians 2:10-11)

There's *no way in* to heaven,
unless we admit we are sinners
and believe on the Lord Jesus
Christ and His payment for our
sins *Then He'll forgive us!*



And He'll write our names in the
book It takes only the faith of a child.

Jesus said:



“...Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.” (Matthew 18:3)

Jesus also said:



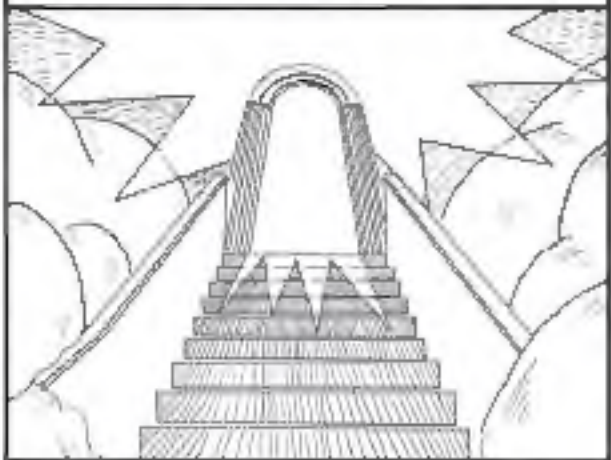
“... Suffer (permit) little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.”
(Matthew 19:14)

Do you have the faith of a little child? Do you admit that you are a sinner who cannot save yourself?



If you put your faith in Jesus, then God has a place in heaven for you.

And if you come to Jesus,
and knock at His door...



He will open the door...

And He'll let you in!



"...him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out." (John 6:37)

"...Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved..." Acts 16:31

Do you admit that you are a sinner? YES NO

Do you believe Jesus died to pay for your sins? YES NO

Did you ask Him to forgive you and come into your heart? YES NO

If you did, remember this date.

Date _____

Your Name _____

THE BIBLE SAYS THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO HEAVEN!

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6

NOBODY ELSE CAN SAVE YOU. TRUST JESUS TODAY!

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Rom. 10:9

1. Admit you are a sinner. See Romans 3:10
2. Be willing to turn from sin (repent). See Acts 17:30
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you, was buried and rose from the dead. See Rom. 10:9-10
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus into your heart to become your personal Saviour. See Rom. 10:13

WHAT TO PRAY

Dear God, I am a sinner and need forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ shed His **precious blood** and died for my sin. I am willing to turn from sin. I now invite Christ to come into my heart as my personal Saviour.

If you trusted Jesus as your Saviour, you have just begun a wonderful new life with Him. Now:

1. Read your Bible (KJV) every day to get to know Jesus Christ better.
2. Talk to God in prayer every day.
3. Be baptized, worship, fellowship, and serve with other Christians in a church where Christ is preached and the Bible is the final authority.
4. Tell others about Jesus Christ.

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